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GROUNDBREAKING HELD FOR THE FLEMING-NEON WATER TREATMENT PLANT RENOVATION

A groundbreaking was held on October 16, 2017 to mark the start of the construction contract to renovate and upgrade the City of Fleming-Neon Water Treatment Plant in Neon, KY. In attendance were; Mayor of Fleming-Neon, Suzie Polis, Members of City Council, President of Nesbitt Engineering, Inc, Paul D. Nesbitt, Angela Hall of the Kentucky River Area Development District (KRADD) and Smith Contractors.

The original Water Treatment plant was built in 1983. The city treats approx. 146 million gallons of water per year from a mine water source and serves approximately 1,100 customers in Letcher County. The upgrades will help workers provide safe and clean water for the town. These upgrades will replace water process equipment, pumps, electrical supply system, back-up generators, update the lab and add additional safety equipment.

Nesbitt Engineering was hired to seek project funding, design and administer construction of the water treatment plant. Smith Contractors will be performing the construction.

The project is being funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority-SRF Funds. The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$3,000,000.

